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Rights and obligations in the building process

If you are involved in a building project, it's important you know who is responsible for each aspect.

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Stages of the building process

Understand project stages, from scoping and design to consents, construction and completion.

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An overview of the priority work programmes within the MBIE Building System Performance branch.

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Understanding the building consent process

For safe, healthy and durable buildings, all building work in New Zealand must meet certain standards. Find out how to build within the rules.

Health and safety on site

Avoid accidents and make site safety a priority.

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Specified systems and compliance schedules

If you own a building that contains a specified system such as a cable car, you must ensure they are effectively operated for the life of the building and in keeping with the council-issued compliance schedule.

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Determinations

A determination is a binding decision made by MBIE providing a way of solving disputes or questions about the rules that apply to buildings, how buildings are used, building accessibility, and health and safety.

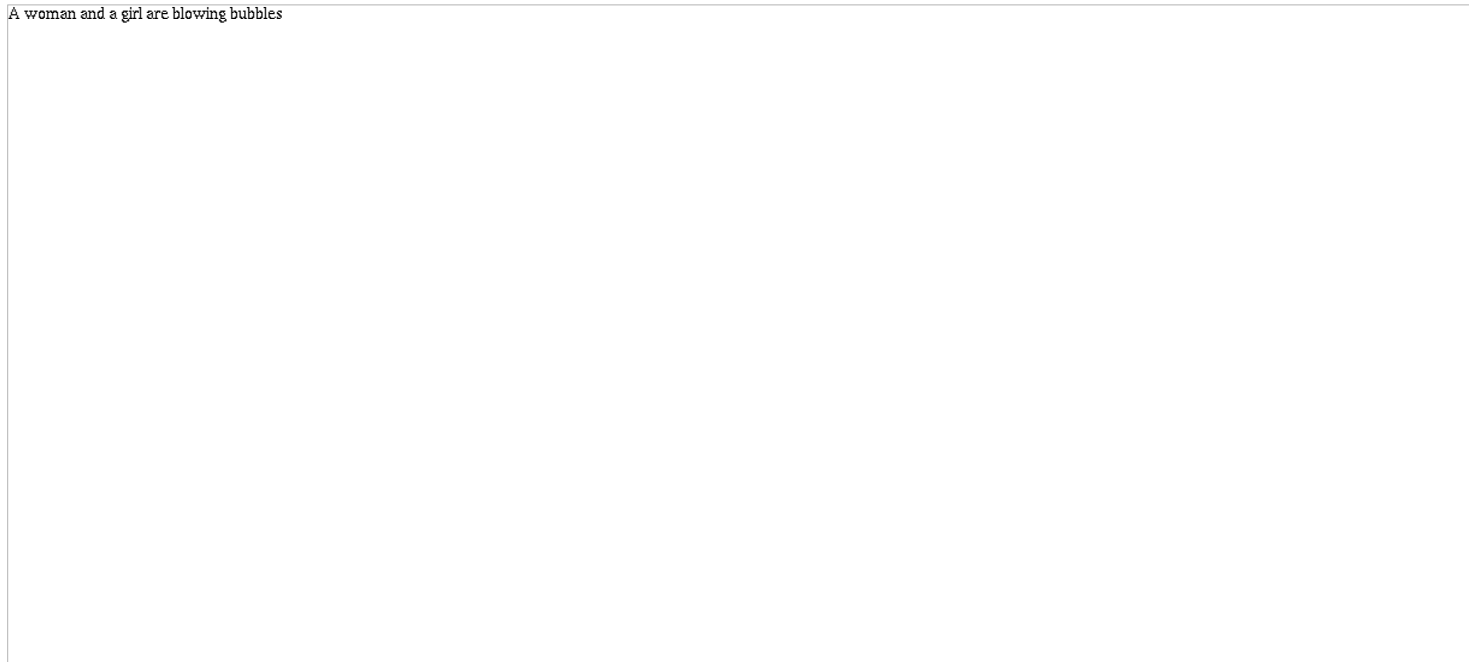
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